California Regional Water Quality Control Board North Coast Region 5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A Santa Rosa, CA 95403 (707) 576-2220

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS

FOR

PACIFIC LUMBER COMPANY FRESHWATER CREEK TIMBER HARVEST PLANS ORDER NO. R1-2003-0027 ID NO. 1B03016RHUM

Humboldt County

On the basis of preliminary staff review and application of lawful standards and regulations, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region, proposes to issue Waste Discharge Requirements to the Pacific Lumber Company for sediment discharges associated with winter operations from timber harvest activities on four timber harvest plans located within the Freshwater Creek watershed, Humboldt County, including, but not limited to, 1-01-200 HUM, 1-01-411 HUM (units 3 and 4), 1-01-451 HUM, and 1-01-453 HUM

A public meeting to consider comments and objections to the proposed Waste Discharge Requirements will be held on February 27, 2003, at 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as practicable, or as announced in the Regional Water Board agenda to be mailed on February 6, 2003. The meeting will he held at the River Lodge Conference Center, 1800 Riverwalk Drive, in Fortuna, California.

Interested persons should submit to the Regional Water Board office at 5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A, Santa Rosa, California, 95403, written copies of all technical reports, testimony, and other evidentiary material concerning this issue by 5:00 p.m. on February 24, 2003. This written material will be submitted to the Regional Water Board Members and all interested persons along with the full agenda materials.

Persons submitting written testimony and documentary evidence should be present at the hearing and available for cross-examination. Testimony at the above-scheduled hearing should be limited to a summary of the above-described written evidence and testimony. No documentary evidence will be accepted after the February 24, 2003, deadline, provided however, that upon a proper showing that evidence is available which was not available in time to meet the deadline, the Board may allow further submission of oral or written testimony.

The tentative Order and Waiver will be available for review on February 13, 2003. Related documents and comments received are on file and may be inspected or copied at the Regional Water Board office on Mondays from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., and Fridays from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Appointments are recommended for file review. File review appointments can be made by calling (707) 576-2220.

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February 7, 2003